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To know what you prefer, instead of humbly saying "Amen" to what the world tells you you ought to prefer, is to have kept your soul alive. —Robert Louis Stevenson.

What's the matter with "Honolulu, Happy Land?"

It must be the newspapers have been good and are letting Harriman alone.

Hilo speaks of the Deputy County Attorney, who rendered the county license collection opinion as "able counsel."

Hats off to Mayor Fern. His luau was one of the biggest, best and most perfectly managed events that Honolulu has enjoyed in years.

Marks of prosperity are plastered all over the record book of the Territory. But this is not a drop in the bucket compared with what Honolulu will be in the future.

Our Congressional friends were by no means the only ones highly entertained by the Mayor's luau. Hundreds of present Honolulu residents never saw its like before.

No one doubts that Millionaire Bradbury ought to be in prison for perjury. The only surprise is that his money didn't enable him to buy sufficient legal talent to keep him out.

Follow the trail of Dr. Cook for the next few years and you will learn of the real pot of gold at the end of the rainbow so many men have been chasing for so many years.

Keep pegging away at programs that will promote the American development of Hawaii. Boost for Honolulu on American lines, and that will give you enough to do at a good profit.

The man who has written to a Honolulu firm of his inability to obtain transportation has kept his name closely guarded. For what possible good reason? Is he ashamed of it?

One trouble with the phrase-making business for Hawaii is that conditions are changing so rapidly that a phrase fitting the situation today would be a misfit by the time the next sun went down.

If the Japanese merchants are feeling the pressure of the hard times brought on by the Japanese strike, it should influence them to a more active co-operation with the American interests of the Territory.

Why shouldn't the Oceanic Line recommission the Sierra for the Honolulu run? A trial trip was made two years ago, when the prospects were not one-tenth as bright nor the demand half as great as at the present time.

Is there anything to show that the congestion of traffic on American passenger steamers does not extend to the lovely Foreign steamers, owned by Foreign capital, operated for Foreign benefit and owing allegiance to a Foreign flag?

Congressional visitors should realize that no visitation would be complete without an Aala Park talk. And it will be a liberal education for the men in politics on the mainland if they will mix with the crowd to see how it looks close to, as well as from the stand.

President Gilmore's tour about the Territory to put the people in touch with the work of the College of Hawaii is a splendid thing for the people. This institution, with such a brilliant future, spells opportunity for hundreds of men and women in Hawaii, if they will only wake up to it.

Some people are peculiar. An anonymous writer tells the Bulletin that a valuable news item has been suppressed and scores the news-

papers accordingly. Then follows what is probably an account of the alleged suppressed news item, and the writer lacks the courage to sign his name. Now, wouldn't you expect some such thing as that to criticize the newspapers for suppressing the news?

The gold movement for the seven months of the calendar year has also been exceptional. We imported during that period \$23,000,000 and exported \$20,000,000, leaving an excess of exports in seven months of \$3,000,000, which is \$28,000,000 more than the same time in 1908. This continued loss of the precious metal at a time when our paper currency is excessively redundant, is a factor worth attention. —Henry Clews' Banking Circular.

This is something to bear in mind when considering the future.

HAWAII'S DUTY AND AMERICAN SHIPPING.

Isn't it rather remarkable that our American community should signalize the evidence of increased passenger travel to and from this port and San Francisco by calling for the opening of this traffic to Foreign-owned and Foreign-manned and Foreign-flagged vessels?

Wouldn't it appear to be the better part of vigorous Americanism to seek a solution for congested traffic by asking, nay, demanding that the American lines operating between this port and the mainland should put on the additional steamers that are available and now lying at anchor in the harbor of San Francisco, to take care of this developing passenger business?

Why is it that some of our enthusiasts on the subject of standing by our common country that has done so much for Hawaii, turn immediately to the foreign-owned ship for relief and devote so much of their energy to condemning American laws as the only way out of the transportation troubles of the Territory?

Why is it that L. A. Thurston in his public remarks before the visiting Congressmen failed to state a great many of the facts regarding the local shipping situation?

Why is it that Mr. Thurston in presumably giving a fair statement of the situation, failed to say that from Sept. 1, 1908, to May 5, 1909, neither the Alameda, the Hiloian nor the Lurline went out of this port with its passenger capacity filled, but had from three to one hundred and ten berths available?

Why is it that the speaker in referring to the accommodations from San Francisco to this port failed to say that from September 11, 1908 until May 5, 1909, the only one of these steamers filled to capacity on leaving San Francisco for this port was the Hiloian on one trip, and for the other trips of these three steamers the available berths ranged from six to ninety?

Why is it that the speaker did not say that the figures for the Pacific Mail boats were not to be had at this time, but they would show much of the same thing?

Why is it that the speaker in giving a presumably fair statement of the transportation situation did not state that during last winter on the occasion of one of the monthly outbursts of his paper in favor of the foreign ships and the alleged lack of accommodation on through American boats, it was shown that if the Japanese boats arriving at the port about at that time had been allowed to carry passengers, their accommodations for people from this port would have been less than those on the American steamers; that the suspension of the coastwise laws in that case would have relieved the situation to the extent of five to ten passengers?

Why is it that in the tirade against the American steamships and the struggle to let in the Foreign ship rather than build more American ships, no word of criticism is offered against the British line that touches at this port, because its passenger accommodations for Honolulu are always limited, and as a

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freights of this Territory was laying plans for the construction of new steamers to ply between this port and San Francisco, the men who want the coastwise shipping laws suspended were unusually silent on the subject of increased passenger accommodations on American steamships. They did not urge that this great freight-carrying American line should recognize the needs of Honolulu's increasing trade by equipping at least one and perhaps two of their new steamers with accommodations for at least one hundred passengers. Now, why was that? And in view of the admitted fact, doesn't it appear that we are too mightily enthusiastic over the foreigner and not sufficiently interest-

ed in the American ship, especially for a people whose prosperity rests on the principle of protection?

The Bulletin believes that Honolulu and Hawaii should esteem it an honor as well as a duty to do what is possible within the capabilities of our local people to build-up the American Merchant Marine.

Suspension of the coastwise shipping law means that inside of five years the Japanese control of the transportation between this port and the mainland will be as complete as the Japanese control today of the labor market of the islands.

This prediction may not be as close to the mark as Thurston's, but if he be a prophet let us recall that he was one of the men who couldn't see any harm in the influx of Japanese laborers, not until they had command of everything in the line of labor on the sugar plantations of Hawaii.

The Bulletin would suggest that the aggressive American citizens of this city should first strive to solve the present prospect of congested passenger traffic by urging the rejuvenation of the American steamships that are lying idle in the harbor of San Francisco.

Put the same amount of noise into such a movement that is now going into the plea for the foreign steamships, and the very force of the increased number of people coming this way will pry loose the laggardly steamship people.

It seems to the Bulletin that that is the American way to solve this problem.

Build up our shipping. Don't tear it down. Don't give it a kick toward further ruin, that will eventually put this port and this Territory completely in the hands of the foreigner.

This paper believes that if any ships are to be run off the Pacific they should be the foreign ships, not the American.

We also believe that there is just as much danger in putting the shipping of this ocean in the hands of the Japanese as there is in filling these islands with Japanese laborers.

MAYOR FERN'S LUAU.

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stood in the receiving line were: Supervisors Daniel Logan, William Ahia and J. C. Quinn, Auditor Bicknell, Sheriff Jarrett, and County Attorney Cathcart. After a gracious word from the Mayor and his wife, the guests passed on into the artistically decorated foyer of the hotel.

Promptly at 7:30 they were ushered out to the brilliantly lighted lawn, where the ten big tables were groaning under the good things. The first big surprise struck the Congressmen and their wives when they discovered that the feast must be eaten in primitive manner—with the fingers. This was interesting, and the lawmakers proceeded to jump in with alacrity and enjoy the novelty of the affair to the limit. The way they handled the not to eat pig and other delicacies would have made the moving picture fends disgorge heavily to secure the poses, the awkward maneuvers of some fingers, the comical puzzled expressions on the faces of many and looks of mystery as a new dish was discovered. Those who failed to have a good time out of it should be relegated to the rear column.

The native Hawaiians who were guests at the luau had great advantage over their malihini friends, as they are experts at the luau business, and they had many laughs over the mistakes made. Never mind, we'll do better next time. It was all in the game, and a jolly good game it was. Blessings on the head of the man who in-

vented the luau, for there is nothing like it in the world.

It wipes the line of formality off the map, brings good cheer to everybody, makes people realize that they have hearty and it is a good thing to use them in fellowship once in a while. It sends one away with new thoughts, new inspirations and an all-around good feeling that the luau is a feast in more ways than one.

By J. H. Makuole.

"What is that thing there?"
"Is that the poi?"
"Does it taste good?"
"How can I catch it?"
"Would it stick on my finger?"
"Wouldn't that taste good with sugar?"

"Do the Hawaiian women eat poi with two fingers and the men with one finger?"
The above interrogations, plus numerous others and several others, were fired at the kamaainas, seated around the tables, by the distinguished malihini guests at the Mayor's luau last night at the Seaside. The guests spent a great deal of their time in asking questions, before they made a rush for the Hawaiian eatables.

Once they got started, however, there was general merriment. The poi did its best to stick to the fingers of the malihinis and refused to break away. The trouble commenced. The guests kept their fingers busy in their mouths until the poi was consumed.

Once they got started, they enjoyed the luau immensely. They tasted almost everything placed before them. Among the things they ate was poi which is generally liked by aged Hawaiians. The kulo (the sweetened hard poi with coconut meat and juice) was partaken of satisfactorily by the guests.

Hawaiian Menu.

The tables, covered with malle, ti leaves, ferns and mountain greens, were laden with a variety of Hawaiian eatables, consisting of poi-lehua (pink poi), laulau-pigs, lawalued fish, limu (sea moss), dried shrimp, sweetened chickens, sweet potatoes, kulo, lawalued salmon, raw fish, koelepalau, igli, taro, sweet potatoes, etc. These were minutely examined by the members of the Congressional party, and the Federal, Territorial and County officials. Members of the diplomatic corps, including the consuls for Japan, China, Portugal, Italy, Germany, Great Britain, Netherlands, Mexico, France and others were there too, and they all partook of all things placed before them.

The poi bowls were made of sliced bamboo bark and lauhala. These were certainly interesting to the distinguished guests, who evidently thought that substantial koe and kon poi calabashes would be used on such an occasion.

Mayor Arrives.

When Mayor Fern and Mrs. Fern, accompanied by Prince and Princess Kahanaloa, and members of the Congressional party appeared on the grounds, the guests arose and watched the Mayor give the signal to be seated. The Mayor, in deference to the ladies present, turned about and, picking up a malle and limu lei, threw them around the neck of his wife and signalled others to be seated.

This done, the waitresses, wearing white holokus, came forward and decorated the guests, ladies and gentlemen alike, with limu leis, intertwined with malle. This pretty custom is always practiced in Hawaii net on such occasions.

The malihini (strangers) and kamaainas (old timers), were equally treated by the waiters and waitresses at the tables.

When the guests arrived they were presented to Mayor Fern and the members of the Board of Supervisors, and the city and county officials. Officers of the National Guard of Hawaii, including Lieutenant Colonel J. W. Short, Captain George Smithies, Captain J. A. Thompson, Captain T. P. Cummins, Captain F. B. Angus, and Lieut. Wm. Ahia, Lieut. J. D. Dougherty, Lieut. O. J. Whitehead and Lieut. H. P. O'Sullivan, assisted.

The officers also acted as chief attendants of the luau. They saw to it that every guest was given a seat at the tables. Their kindly attention to the wants of the guests was greatly appreciated.

During the luau, the Hawaiian band under the leadership of Captain Berger played appropriate selections. A Hawaiian quintet club which was stationed under the hau tree, rendered a number of Hawaiian songs which are dear to the hearts of those in Hawaii. Many luau and political campaign songs were also rendered.

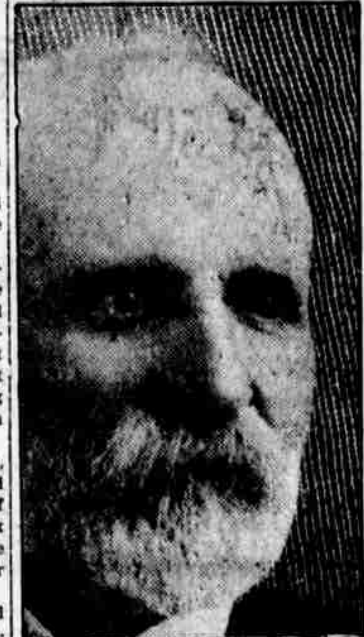
In honor of the Congressional party, one of the singers said that a special song is being composed. This will probably be sung at the mass meeting to be held at Aala park tonight.

When the luau was over, the guests, headed by Mayor and Mrs. Fern, retired onto the broad lanai of the hotel and watched the movements of the hula girls. Miss Esther, probably the most graceful dancer in Honolulu, assisted by one other young lady, went through the various movements as the musician and time-keeper, tapped his gourd, while chanting simultaneously. The girls wore short hula dresses, with ginger leis on their heads and malle leis around their waists.

When the dancers had gone through

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the first part of their dance, the Mayor and others who know of the hula customs, dug down into their pockets and threw money on the floor for the dancers. This is part of the duty of the spectators when viewing the dancers. The money is for their private purse. Of course in this way, the dancers would be encouraged to keep up dancing. The distinguished guests of the Congressional party and other malihinis generally, applauded generously.

Among the distinguished guests besides the members of the Congressional party and their ladies were Senator Dillingham, Governor and Mrs. Peear, Secretary Mott-Smith of the Territory, Prince and Princess Kahanaloa, Captain Rees, U. S. N., Major Ray, U. S. A., Major Dunning, U. S. A., Captain Marx, U. S. M. C., and Mrs. Marx, Dr. Hobdy, U. S. M. H. C., and Mrs. Hobdy, Consul General Uyeno, Consul General Count Canavarro, Italian Consul Schaefer, Chinese Consul Chang Tso Fan, M. Tokieda of the Yokohama Specie Bank, Collector Stackable of Customs, Immigration Inspector Brown, District Attorney Breckons and several other heads of the departments of the Federal, Territorial and City governments, bankers, prominent merchants and others.

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